

THE enterprising young men of Canada come to this country to grow up.

It appears that in some of the numerous "gold cures" which now dot the country thick as freckles on an Indiana girl's nose the proprietors get all the gold and the patient a precious little cure.

ENGLAND and France are considerable blood-letting in Africa. If there must be war it is not a bad plan to carry it into Africa, but what objection have the two strong European powers to some country of their own size?

THE farmers in the West cannot get into the fields to plow on account of the water, so they are sitting on their fences with guns in their hands hoping that some of the rain-producers of last season will come along with proposals.

DR. BUCKLEY introduced two new words to the attention of his Methodist brethren in conference at Omaha. They were "episcopomania" and "episcopophobia." It's a great thing to know Greek when you need a big word.

AN adjustable head rest for attachment to the back of a church pew has been patented. It will be remembered that something of the sort was the inception of the sleeping-car, and the hope for comfortable berths in church may now spring eternal in the human breast.

THERE are so few buffaloes left in America as to make it interesting to learn that Queen Victoria has sent one from her farm at Frogmoor to the grounds of the Zoological society in London. This buffalo is the survivor of a pair sent by the Marquis of Lorne from Canada as a present to her majesty a few years ago.

AN intrepid courage is at best but a holiday-kind of virtue, to be seldom exercised, and never but in cases of necessity. Affability, mildness, tenderness, and a word which I would fain bring back to its original significance of virtue—I mean goodness—are of daily use; they are the bread of mankind and staff of life.

A FEW days ago a switchman in Denver snatched a little child from before an advancing locomotive. He failed in his heroic purpose. He was killed. Already the Denver News has raised over \$700 for the widow and child of this unknown man of the people, Lee Dunham, and about \$100 for a monument. New York has not done as well for the Nation's Grant.

THERE is perhaps no country that now offers so many advantages for immigration as Australia. Any man with a few hundred dollars may receive a grant of 180 acres of land; wheat can be produced at the rate of 100 bushels to an acre; the climate is admirable, the scenery full of beauty and charm, the government able. The Southern Continent has every reason to look forward to a magnificent future.

A FRENCH wife has slain her husband's paramour, whom she discovered under circumstances akin to those which led Deacon to kill Abeille. It will be interesting to note whether the French courts will regard this murder as leniently as that in which the husband was the aggrieved one and the avenger. In affairs of this nature the gallant Gaul is prone to discover a wide difference between tweedledum and tweedledee.

SIR JAMES CRICHTON BROWNE, an eminent English physician, expresses dire forebodings as to the future standard of English beauty if the craze for the higher education of women persists in that country. Of the university girls he says: "Many of them have a stooping gait and withered appearance, shrunk shanks and spectacles on nose." One hardly knows whether to admire the more the curious extent and accuracy of the Baronet's observations or the Rudyard Kipling vigor with which he announces his conclusions.

ACCORDING to a writer in Good Roads the new Michigan law providing that the man who uses on his wagon wheels tires of a certain width shall have a rebate of one-half in his road-tax works a great advantage not only to the owner of the vehicle but to the roads. It is estimated that with broad tires on wagons, carriages, and buggies all public highways can be kept in very much better condition than is now possible at one-fourth the cost of the present system. In the matter of road reform the first essential seems to be the widening of the tires of the vehicles. The general adoption of this would be a long step

of itself in the direction of perfect roads. Without it perfect roads are practically impossible.

If they were not so farcical the English aristocracy would be invaluable for comedy, as witness the fact that it is announced that the abandonment of the claim for costs in the Russell divorce suit indicates a prospect for reconciliation. "The Earl," the authorities go on to inform a waiting and eager world, "is said to have been considerably affected by his wife's successful dancing at Walton-on-Thames, where she recently appeared in a charitable entertainment, and, while he is gratified by the graceful and blameless manner in which the performance was conducted, he would prefer not to have Countess Russell appear in any more public exhibitions." This offers a hint to the writer of farces. To have the wife appear as a skirt-dancer in a public charity entertainment is a means of reuniting his separated hero and heroine which has probably never occurred to the fancy of the wildest dramatist.

THE Canadian volunteers who ordered the American flag taken down from the store of a Grand Army veteran in Montreal have a mistaken idea of the requirements of loyalty to the queen. The veteran was right in his explanation that he had hoisted it in honor of the day. The relations existing between America and England are of the most friendly nature and are not likely to suffer change. In this country we show our patriotism by raising the flags of all nations side by side with the stars and stripes. The incident is interesting in one respect; it shows how widely scattered are the veterans of the late civil war. The Montreal shopkeeper was probably one of the numerous pensioners who are living abroad and therefore could not let an opportunity pass for showing his colors. If the surmise is correct, he could have covered himself with great glory by doing the Barbara Fritchie act. He should have appeared in an upper window and defied the entire British Government.

A TRAGEDY of an unprecedented character lately took place near Paris. Some time ago a house was tenanted by three sisters, and the landlord was not long in discovering that these ladies were very undesirable. Their habits were most eccentric, and they showed a marked unwillingness to pay rent. They lived a life of deep seclusion, and no one was admitted within their precincts. At length matters came to such a pass that the landlord's agent was compelled to take proceedings, and this brought the troubles of the hapless spinsters to a culmination. One morning last month it was discovered that their house was on fire. The door was forced, and the ladies were all found dead, and the last survivor had evidently fired the house. Having utterly come to the end of their resources, the sisters had resolved to put an end to themselves. They had first killed their horse, dog, and cat, to which they were devoted. What a subject this extraordinary family would have offered to the pen of Balzac! The sisters were found to belong to a family once affluent, which had fallen on very evil days.

THERE should be no mistake made as to the position of the Methodist Church on the subject of dancing. It would be unfair to say that the Omaha conference took the subject under advisement. Such a statement would indicate some relaxation in severity toward King David's favorite amusement. The facts of the matter are that certain young ladies of the East exercised such an influence over the Troy conference that a petition was sent to Omaha asking that dancing be declared an innocent and wholesome recreation. A perfect storm of protests arose from all over the country, and the Omaha assembly was relieved from all responsibility of coming to a decision. The church declared itself una voce. It is hard for the worldly minded person, or even the devout member of almost any other religious denomination to understand the Methodist's horror of dancing. The Methodist Church is one of the brainiest, most progressive, most influential and most earnest societies of any kind, secular or religious, on earth, and it preaches a joyful religion. But the antipathy to dancing is inherited among its ancient traditions, and will probably never become a thing of the past. And pray why should any Methodist girl wish to dance? Her desire to do so is merely the result of human longings after forbidden pleasures. Terpichore has no joys to offer that compare with the country sleigh ride, Copenhagen, going to Rome, the needle's eye that doth supply, and snap an' ketch 'em. Compared with such festivities dancing is a selfish amusement, for in them bishop and boy, matron and maid are equally at

#### VICE PRESIDENT FIELD HOPES TO MAKE CLEVELAND PRESIDENT.

OMAHA, NEB., July 3.—Among those who have been named for candidate of the people's party for vice president is Judge J. W. Field, of Albemarle county, Va., who was for five years attorney general of the state of Virginia, elected on the democratic ticket, but who left the party and was chairman of the recent state convention of the new party and is here as one of the delegates at large. Delegates from a number of southern states have urged consideration of his name for vice presidential nominee.

Speaking of the situation of affairs in the southeast, Judge Field said to-day: "Virginia is for any good man, but strongly prefers that he should be taken from the northwest. We were all for Gresham because we believe that he would have brought great personal strength to the new movement and was a man of purity and uprightness in sympathy with our principles. Weaver would be acceptable to us. Yes, we would all support Kyle, but he is in the senate and we don't think it would be good policy for us to take away a soldier from his post of duty and put him in another place."

"We want to keep all we've got and get all we can. Frankly, I do not think that with any man, unless it be Judge Gresham possibly, we can elect our man; but I think we can carry enough states to throw the presidency into the house and also elect enough congressmen to make the people's party representatives a balance of power which will prevent all hostile and vicious legislation and hold things until we can go back to the people and let them see to it that their representatives, who, under the caucus decrees of the old parties, no longer represent the people, do what the people want."

#### DEMOCRATIC HELPS

From the Kansas City Mo., Journal.

The democratic party enjoys one important advantage in national elections. The third parties, whether intentionally or unintentionally, are its condottadors or assistants. This is the result of what has seemed to be enduring political conditions. The south ordinarily is set down as safely democratic to start with, no matter what new parties or new issues may arise. It is only necessary then for the democratic party to roll up a big enough majority among the saloons and slums of New York city, and to carry to or three other close states, and it comes out victorious.

Four-fifths of the states which give their electoral vote to the democratic ticket are not affected by issues or candidates; they are democratic through race prejudice and war prejudice. The slum vote of New York is even more heedless of principle, if possible, than the ex-rebel vote of the south.

When new parties start up they must look for converts and recruits to states which are controlled politically by ideas; hence to states where the republican party, the party of ideas, is in the ascendant. It is, consequently, in republican states, or republican communities, that the third party gets its strength and does its mischief. Its membership is mostly drawn from the republican ranks and the republican party is the loser, and the democratic party the corresponding gainer from its existence.

In New York, in 1884, the prohibition party made an earnest campaign throughout the rural districts, and drew enough votes from the republicans to throw the state to Cleveland, with the aid of the frauds committed in the city. In this way the republican party suffered its first and only national defeat since the war. This year the new alliance party, if it does anything at all, will do for democracy in a few western states what the prohibition party did for it in 1884. In South Dakota, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, and one or two other states which have heretofore been republican, the democratic party is building its hopes upon the alliance movement. If a democratic president is elected this year it will be because some of these states have been lost to the republicans through the efforts of the people's party.

These third parties never accomplish anything; that is, for themselves. They spring up, do a little indirect service for democracy for a few years, and then die out. Others arise from their ashes and go on doing the same thing. Each expects to perform wonders and in a few years to supplant one or both of the old parties. But they seldom grow to proportions big enough to carry states.

It is an evil that cannot be prevented, hence must be endured. It is one of the unfair inequalities against which the republican party is forced to contend, in its efforts to secure the country good government, but in spite of which it fortunately has generally triumphed. There is no very good reason for supposing that it will not succeed in doing so this year.

#### JERRY'S LITTLE GAME.

Jerry Simpson said to Representative Moser: "Kansas will go 40,000 against Harrison and for well, say Cleveland. Of course, it will be taking the electoral vote from Harrison and indirectly giving it to Cleveland, for if he isn't elected by the electors he will be by the house, and us alliance fellows will throw it in the house. There ain't no democrats out there. Two years ago I was an unknown stranger in the district and only found a few democrats; now I know the district, and all the democrats belong to the alliance."

"I don't fear any democrat running. He may run, but nobody will vote for him, for there are no democrats—see?"

#### AS TRUE NOW AS THEN.

From a Speech by Roscoe Conkling.

Upon its record and its candidates the republican party asks the country's approval, and stands ready to avow its purpose for the future. It proposes to

rebuild our commercial marine, driven from the sea by confederate cruisers, aided and abetted by foreign hostility. It proposes to foster labor, industry and enterprise. It proposes to stand for education, humanity and progress. It proposes to administer the government honestly, to preserve amity with all the world, observing our own obligations with others, and seeing that others observe theirs with us; to protect every citizen, of whatever birth or color, in his rights and equality before the law, including his right to vote and to be counted; to uphold the public credit and the sanctity of engagements; and by doing these things the republican party proposes to assure industry, humanity and civilization in America the amplest welcome and the safest home.

#### A HEAVY LOAD.

York Advertiser: The army record of Adlai E. Stevenson rivals in brevity the chapter on snakes in Iceland.

Philadelphia Call: Mr. Stevenson is now an uncompromising democrat, though he has been a republican, a greenbacker, and an independent republican in turn.

Philadelphia Call: Stevenson, by admitting that he not only was a greenbacker but that he still holds these views, is not helping his ticket very much. Mr. Stevenson is talking more than is absolutely necessary.

Fort Dodge Messenger: With Cleveland's pension vetoes in one hand and Stevenson's bitter war-time copperhead record in the other, the democratic party makes a great bid for the soldier vote. We think we see the old soldiers falling over themselves in their eagerness to heap honors on these two men.

St. Louis Star-Sayings: Adlai E. Stevenson, the democratic candidate for vice president, it appears, was a candidate for presidential elector in 1864 on the platform which declared the war a failure. The old soldiers of the country will see to it that Mr. Stevenson's campaign this year turns out a most dreary failure.

Philadelphia North American: To the question "Who is Stevenson?" we reply, Mr. Stevenson is one of the remnants of the old greenback party. He was nominated to catch the riff-raff of the old flat money craze, but it is rather doubtful if he can even gather up that scattered wreck of very attenuated matter.

Albany Journal: The Hon. Adlai E. Stevenson's "war record" seems to have been made as assistant postmaster general. He did valiant service, decapitating no less than 45,373 republicans who held non-presidential postmaster-ships. It was all done in the interest of Grover Cleveland and the sacred cause of civil service reform.

Albany Times-Union: Since the Hon. Adlai E. Stevenson was put on the ticket for vice president, it has recalled to mind that one of the last official acts of Mr. Cleveland, while president, was to nominate Mr. Stevenson for justice of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, but the republican senate failed to act upon the nomination.

New York Press: The spectacle of a robust and roaring spoilsman like Candidate Stevenson posing on a platform which seriously declares its devotion to the sacred cause of civil service reform, is enough to make even the Tammany tiger forget his many wounds and split his lonesome ribs with laughter. As a serio-comic act in politics it beats anything the country has ever seen.

Milwaukee Wisconsin: Since it has been discovered that Adlai E. Stevenson was a damaging war record, the democrats are compelled to fall back on Cleveland to represent the soldier element. It will be remembered that Grover answered his country's call by buying a substitute. But the last New York legislature passed a bill to refund the money which Grover and others spent for proxy patriots.

#### "EMPLOYING" AND "EMPLOYED."

"As a matter of fact, however, to support the people's party under the belief that it is a labor party, is to act under misapprehension. It is not and can not, in the nature of make-up, be a labor party, or even one in which the wage-workers will find their haven. Composed, as the people's party is, mainly of employing farmers without any regard to the interests of the employed farmers of the country districts, or the mechanics and laborers of the industrial centers, there must necessarily be a divergence of purposes, methods and interests."—Samuel Gompers.

Here is at last stated plainly a controlling fact that of course demagogues in and out of the alliance have overlooked. The farmers' movement is from the fact the farmer was in debt, and was short of money, because in part short in crops but the main hurt was interest payment on an abnormal indebtedness. The farmer out of debt, and owning his land in fee simple, is a capitalist—or he belongs to the independent money class. The successful farmer is always a lender of money. The French farmer, the most thrifty tiller of the soil on the globe, is the subscriber to all the French loans—the real lending capitalist of France. The fact that in his normal condition the farmer is a capitalist, is one of the facts that has been overlooked in this later gospel, and its mention now by Mr. Gompers is timely and suggestive.

#### CIVIL SERVICE REFORM

From the New York Press.

In nominating Stevenson for vice president the democratic party confers honor and distinction upon the hungry and most defiant spoilsman who figured in the public service under the Cleveland administration. That's the kind of civil service reform party the democracy is.

#### ALLIANCE FOLLY.

From the New York Tribune.

The amazing foolishness of the alliance legislature, and the splendid crops last year and this year have done much to the Kansas right. There are not

many farmers so foolish that they do not realize the injury which calamity howlers and repudiators of debt have done to the state, and not many who enjoy seeing Kansas placed in the attitude of a pauper state before the world. Settled largely by eastern and northern men, who do not forget the outrages by which invaders tried to force slavery upon freedom-loving settlers, Kansas was not the most likely of all states to help the democratic party in its emergency, and so soon as it became clear that the alliance movement had become a mere tender to the democratic machine, the reaction to sturdy republicanism was only a question of time. Now it is evident that it comes this year.

#### DEMOCRATIC ECHOES.

Philadelphia Times (Dem.): Harrison is a strong candidate—of that let all in interest take timely notice.

Philadelphia Record (Free Trade Dem.): It would be affectation to pretend that the republican party has not made a strong nomination.

Louisville Courier-Journal (Dem.): Beyond any question the president is the strongest candidate the republicans could have put in the field.

New York Sun (Dem.): It would be folly for democrats to under-estimate an antagonist who has manifested such consummate political ability.

Boston Herald (Ind. Dem.): Harrison is a man of more intellectual ability than either his own party or the opposition generally give him credit for possessing.

#### THE "FRAUD" PLATFORM.

From the St. Joseph Herald.

Let it not be forgotten that the democratic platform does not stop with denouncing the McKinley law and promising its repeal, but that it describes all protection of all kinds in any degree as "a fraud" and pledged the party to antagonize it. There is the issue, clear and unmistakable, and the republican party is more than ready to meet it.

#### PEACE-AT-ANY-PRICE IN 1864.

From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

It is all very well for Stevenson to say that he was in favor of the war for the preservation of the Union, but the ugly fact remains that he was a candidate for presidential elector on the democratic peace-at-any-price platform in 1864.

Ohio's venerable ex-senator, A. G. Thurman, says "Benjamin is not an easy man to beat. There is no use trying to disguise that fact."

No democratic paper has yet presented any act of Grover Cleveland's administration as a reason why he should be re-elected president.

HERE is the difference: The republican party, in levying duties, discriminates in favor of home labor; the democratic party discriminates against it.

It never occurred to Thomas Jefferson that a tariff for protection was unconstitutional. That was a discovery of the Calhoun school of statesmen.—Indianapolis Journal.

It is a mistake to say that no farmer had any votes for governor at the Wichita convention. John Doolittle, a genuine farmer of Chase county, had twelve of the 550 votes cast.

ALL the argument republicans need employ in tariff discussion is facts. The facts establish their own case and overthrow the opposition's. There is no better logic than the logic of facts.

THE republican party does not pretend to be specially the farmers' party; it is too big for that. It is the party of the people; yet it gives to a farmer the place of highest honor on its ticket.

THE weak place in the democratic talk about the tariff robbing the people is that the people are not robbed. They buy everything they want to use cheaper than it was ever bought before.

ENGLAND'S tariff for revenue only places a "tax" of 4 cents a pound on coffee. America's protective tariff admits it free. Thus do the English demonstrate the inconsistent beauties of free trade.

THE democratic party kindly presents to the American working men a chance to elect to the presidency a man who stands upon a platform which distinctly declared in favor of placing them on the same wages basis with European labor. The American workingman will go for such an opportunity—with a club.—St. Joseph Herald.

THE democratic plank on the question of reciprocity is simply this: We denounce the work of the republican party in arranging for an exchange of non-competitive articles with the South American nations, and demand that goods manufactured by cheap European labor be admitted freely to come in competition with American factories and American workmen—Lincoln, Neb., Journal.

The committee on resolutions at Chicago reported a tariff plank that sought in probability and generalizations—as, for instance, demanding the removal of "iniquitous inequalities"—to confuse the reader and leave him with the impression that all the blessings of the republican tariff were to be conserved, in addition to the roseate promises of free trade. But the convention beat all that and put in a straight free trade plank.

We have come to a point where American industries, American commerce, and American influences are to be revived and extended. The American sentiment and feeling was never more controlling than now; and I do not use that term in the narrow sense of native American, but to embrace all loyal citizens, whether native born or adopted, who have the love of our flag in their hearts.—Benjamin Harrison.

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